

opposed upper and lower longitudinally extending spaced apart quench tubes, an actuator for moving the quench tubes to generally conform to the final bent shape of the glass sheet as a glass sheet is being bent, means connected to the movable quench tubes for movably engaging a glass sheet, and means for supplying quenching gas through the tubes to uniformly temper the glass sheet therebetween.

Applicants again respectfully traverse the Examiner's objection that the subject matter of claim 27 is not supported by the specification for the reasons given in Applicants' previous responses filed in connection with the parent reissue applications to this application. In particular, the disclosure adequately sets forth all of the claim structure, as well as clearly indicating that an object of Applicants' invention was to provide such a quench.

Applicants are submitting herewith a Fifth Substitute Reissue Declaration under 35 U.S.C. § 251. This Fifth Revised Declaration addresses changes in the specification which have occurred during the pendency of the parent reissue applications to this application. A copy of this Declaration is currently being executed by each of the inventors and will be forwarded in due course.

An Information Disclosure Statement is also being filed herewith, listing the foreign references (Finland '313, Germany '451, and Europe '892) cited by Applicants but previously not considered. As previously indicated, the Finland '313 reference is believed to be the priority document to U.S. Patent 4,881,962, issued to Reunamaki et al (previously cited by Applicants); the EP '892 patent is believed to be similar, if not identical, in its disclosure to U.S. Patent 4,604,124, issued to Strauss (also cited and considered in the parent application to this reissue application); and Germany '451 is the priority document of U.S. Patent 4,723,983, issued to Erdmann et al (which has been cited and considered in the parent application to this

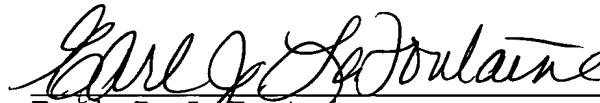
reissue application). Consideration of these references is respectfully solicited.

In light of the foregoing, reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-16, and consideration and allowance of claim 27 is respectfully solicited. The Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone to discuss any matters which would expedite the progress of this reissue application.

Respectfully submitted,

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